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For: NUCLEOSIDE OR NUCLEOTIDES HAVING  
NOVEL UNNATURAL BASES AND USE  
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Sir:

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

This Reply includes:

**Amendments** to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments** to the Sequence Listing begin on page 4 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including the paper and CRF disk copy of the Sequence Listing is attached following page 7 of this paper.